

CONSOLIDATION?
What Say You?
Town Hall TONIGHT

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ARE YOU FOR SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION SIZE AND COST OF A NEW BUILDING DEPENDS UPON YOU MEETING TONIGHT

The subject of school consolidation in Northfield will be the big question to be considered at tonight's special meeting of the voters of the town, the warrant for which has been properly issued and posted. Upon the decision of consolidation will depend much the type and size as well as the cost of the new school building, primarily intended to provide for the pupils of Center school which was recently destroyed by fire. Location of the building and the appointment of a committee must be given attention. The report of the special committee to investigate consolidation and the housing of our schools will be presented, and action on the report will be taken in the articles as they are offered. The Moderator, Mr. Hoehn will call the meeting to order at eight o'clock and the Town Clerk, Mrs. Haskell will read the warrant. Although we published these articles last week, we are again presenting them to our readers, so that they might clip them from the paper and have them for reference. Preparations have been made for a largely attended meeting. Here are the articles:

Article 1—to hear the report of the special committee on school consolidation and building or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 2—to see what action the town will take on the location of the new school building or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 3—to see what action the town will take on the choice of a building committee and pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 4—to see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the use of the building committee or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Hermon Graduate Editor Paper On Genealogy

The Press has received a copy of the new newspaper "Genealogy and History" from Washington, where it is published. It is in its first year and the Editor is Adrian Ely Mount. Mr. Mount is a graduate of Mount Hermon School, class of '18. The new paper has met a popular demand of many citizens in all sections of the country for genealogical matter connected with their ancestors and who desire to trace their lineage through the years. There is nothing more interesting, educational and fascinating than the problem of establishing the "family tree" and Mr. Mount is proving his ability to help and assist in the publication of his new paper.

Holstein-Friesian Meeting At Amherst

The members of the Hampshire Franklin Holstein-Friesian association gathered at Massachusetts State College last Saturday to observe the 20th anniversary of its founding. The program was opened at noon with a luncheon and the associations first President, Thomas A. Elder of Alton Bay, N. H., A. F. McDougal, who assisted in the organization and Enos J. Montague, the first secretary-treasurer of Amherst were in attendance. Routine matters connected with the association were considered. Several members from Northfield answered the roll call.

Speaks To W.C.T.U.

Dr. A. H. Wright will speak on the "Progress of our Young People" at the regular meeting of the W.C.T.U. at the home of Mrs. L. H. Lazelle, on Wednesday, April 17, at three o'clock. All mothers are cordially invited.

A most interesting display of the new books is being made this week at the Talcott Library on the Seminary campus.

Northfield, Massachusetts, Friday, April 12, 1940

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Will Plant Many Trees Local Town Committee Assisted By The State

There was an important meeting of the Town Tree committee with members of the Selectmen held on Tuesday evening at the Town Hall to consider the replant-



CHARLES C. STEARNS
Chairman of Northfield Town
Tree Committee

ing of needed trees along the state highway to take the place of those destroyed in the recent hurricane. There was a full attendance of members; Charles C. Stearns, Chairman, Joseph R. Colton, Roderick Parker, Dean Williams, A. P. Pitt and Mrs. Mary Andrews Conner Chairman of the Fortnightly Tree Committee. A proposition was received from the State stating that they will furnish young maple and elm trees to be planted by the Committee under the direction of the State. The town must supply the loan and labor. After a conference with Selectman Mason, it was agreed that the labor would be supplied by the WPA and that he would co-operate. It is proposed to care for the planting at the Arbor Day season and that the first district undertaken would be Main Street from Mill Brook southward to Stearns garage corner. The planting must be done on the state highway. Last year the committee set out many trees on the purely local roads and they practically all survived and are doing well. Northfield is fortunate to have an efficient committee in this important work.

Want A Cook Book?

Congressman Treadway calls the attention of the ladies of the First Congressional District to one of the most widely distributed publications of the Department of Agriculture, Aunt Sammy's Radio Recipes. While making no claim to be a complete cook-book, it nevertheless contains 400 of the most popular recipes and 90 of the menus included in the Housekeepers' Chats, and makes a valuable addition to the kitchen of any housewife. Ladies residing in the First District may obtain copies of Aunt Sammy's Radio Recipes by sending a postal card to Congressman Allen T. Treadway, Washington, D. C.

Came From India

Another granddaughter of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Edward Fairbanks, Miss Lydia Wright, is a guest at their home here. She is a younger sister of the two Wright young ladies who have previously come to America from India for the purpose of completing their education, and who were students at the Seminary and are now at Mt. Holyoke college. The young lady came across the Pacific from her home and thence across America to Springfield, where she was met by Dr. Fairbanks and brought to Northfield. On the way they stopped at Mount Holyoke college, where the young lady greeted her sisters whom she had not seen for three years. Miss Wright's parents are missionaries in India.

D. F. Carpenter of Farley, representing the Townsend pension plan in this district was a visitor in Northfield Tuesday.

On To Washington High School Seniors Leave To-day Noon

The long awaited and much looked for trip to the Nation's Capitol by the Senior class of the Northfield High School became a realism to-day, when shortly after the noon hour, the members of the class took seats in a bus which will carry them to Providence, R. I. There the class will go aboard a boat for a sail down through Long Island Sound, and arrive in New York on Saturday morning. From here the remainder of the journey will be by bus to Washington, via Philadelphia. Five days of sightseeing will pass too quickly. They will visit the Senate and the House now in session, the White House, Congressional Library,

Map To Be Issued By Valley Association This Town Showing

Twenty-five thousand decorative maps of this region in the Connecticut Valley will be printed and issued by the Pioneer Valley Association immediately for free distribution. Northfield will be shown in plain letters as well as all other communities. Officers of the Association in session at Northampton last Monday made the decision to speed publication and distribution.

The maps will be used primarily as an advertising piece designed to interest people throughout the country in this region. They will be sent to a list of 4000 selected people in cities from coast to coast. The maps will also be sent to a selected list of Travel Bureaus throughout the country, to banks having travel departments, to newspapers having travel departments, and the maps will be used for individual inquiries desiring a map of the region. The map will be printed by the Brooks Bank Note Company of Springfield.

It will show Franklin, Hampshire and Hampden counties, all cities and towns will be lettered on it, and one attraction for each city and town will be indicated either by legend or drawing on the map. These features have been selected by the executive committee member of the association in each community. In addition, there will be approximately 2000 words of description in panels on the reverse side of the map.

The map will be unique in many ways. The drawing will be done in a Currier and Ives manner and will have a three dimensional appearance that will feature hills and mountains. The border will resemble an old fashioned picture frame, and this will be shown on a reproduction of old fashioned wallpaper in a red flower pattern giving the map the appearance of an old framed print hanging on a wall. It will fold into a square and sealed with a label, with one fold for addressing.

"We think this map will interest people throughout the country in coming to Pioneer Valley," said John W. Haigis, Greenfield, president of the association, in making this announcement.

Mens Clubs To Meet At Shelburne Falls

The Franklin County Federation of church brotherhoods and mens clubs will hold their spring meeting, on Monday evening April 29th at the Baptist church at Shelburne Falls. Supper will be served by the women of the Congregational and Baptist churches.

Guest speakers of the evening include Dr. Eurique DeLazada of Williams college, who is professor of Spanish and Latin America Institutes. It is expected that a large delegation will attend from the Brotherhood of the Northfield Congregational church.

Northfield Grange

The Grange met Tuesday evening in the hall to see pictures shown by Miss Helen Dietweller of the youth hostel. Mrs. Ruth Holton played several selections on the accordion and Miss Estes Hale gave a reading.

The California Coudens will entertain Thursday evening, April 18 at the Grange hall. There will also be an amateur contest with Mrs. Albert Allen in charge.

Connecticut Valley Pomona met with Bernardston Grange on Wednesday. A supper was served by the Bernardston women. S. Edwin Story of Westminster, state Pomona deputy, was the speaker. The Deerfield Valley Pomona were guests and gave an entertainment.

The Grange will hold a public supper and card party on Tuesday evening, April 30th.

Dr. James Cleland of Amherst will give a series of readings from the works of Robert Burns at Silverthorne Hall Saturday evening at eight o'clock. Seminary students will enjoy a most interesting evening.

Hermon Alumni Banquet Vermont Governor Aiken Was The Guest Speaker

West Hall on Mount Hermon campus was crowded last week Friday evening when some 700 sat down to a feast of good things to eat. Included in this number were the students of the school and members of the Franklin County Hermon club who were holding their annual meeting of alumni for the hearing of reports and the election of officers for the ensuing year. Before the dinner, Dr. David Porter, headmaster presented to the gathering, Governor George D. Aiken of Vermont, who extended a brief greeting to all. Rev. Ellis E. Jones offered prayer. The Hermon Glee Club directed



RICHARD G. HOLTON
Chosen Vice President
Franklin County Hermon Club

by Mr. Gallagher rendered selections and the vast audience joined in singing the college songs, including the "Lights on Hermon Hill." After the dinner the session of the alumni was called to order, by Senator Ernest Dunklee of Vernon, its President. Reports for the year were by Orville E. Mirtz of Hermon, the secretary-treasurer. The nominating committee consisting of Carroll Rikert, Merritt C. Skilton and George L. Berry, presented the slate of officers and they were duly elected. They are President, Willard Beebe '30, of Brattleboro; vice-president, Dr. Richard Holton '14 of East Northfield; secretary-treasurer, O. E. Mirtz of Mount Hermon; executive committee, Ernest Dunklee, Ralph Churchill of Brattleboro, Robert Parmenter of Amherst, Louis May of Keene, Otto Nau of Greenfield and George Berry of Greenfield.

Alumni Secretary Frank E. Dunn acted as toastmaster, first introducing Prof. Roy R. Hatch, head of the science department, who retires in June after 40 years of service at the school. Headmaster David R. Porter extended a welcome to the alumni and spoke in optimistic words of the progress of the school.

Ernest Dunklee, president of the Vermont state Senate, introduced Gov. Aiken, who said in part:

"We in Vermont have been different since 1936, and I may say we have enjoyed the distinction. We believe in maintaining the ideals and principles of the founders of the state and applying them to the present day. We believe in thrift, self-reliance and sound government. We still believe in New England town government. We oppose the centralization of the national government. We don't believe it is a good idea to delegate governing powers to Washington to the degree now practiced. We believe in living within our income. I might say that at the present time the state is in the fortunate condition of having a cash balance of \$3,000,000, being somewhat embarrassed by our riches. In short, we in Vermont believe it is sound practice today to exercises thrift, live within our means and yet be progressive. Only in this way will our democratic form of government continue and improve."

Alumni Secretary Dunn who has been visiting Hermon clubs in other sections of the country related his experiences and showed moving pictures in color of many of the activities of Hermon during the past year. The new officers start the year with an enthusiastic membership.

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**Senator Robert Taft
To Visit Brattleboro
Guest Of Lions Club**

United States Senator Robert A. Taft, from Ohio, and an aspirant for the nomination for President on the Republican ticket, will visit and speak at Brattleboro on Saturday May 4th as the guest of the Lions club. Announcement was made by the Club's President, Edward J. Shea Jr. at the club meeting last week. It is said that the visit is a friendly one, without political significance. Mr. Taft's great grandfather, Peter Taft, was an influential resident of Townshend, where he moved at the age of 14 with his parents in 1790. His son, Alphonse, was born there but moved to Cincinnati, where he became a prominent attorney. Alphonse's son was William Howard Taft, who became President of the United States and who is the father of Senator Taft. Senator Taft visited Brattleboro in 1912.

WCTU In Conference Map A State Campaign

Members of the local WCTU and others will be interested in the conference being held in Boston this week Thursday and Friday and attended by local and state officers from Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut. The purpose is to map a campaign of effort to correct conditions inimical to the welfare of the American home.

Mrs. Lila D. Warren, state president for Massachusetts will preside and Mrs. Margaret C. Munn of Evanston, Ill., national treasurer will deliver an address. Mrs. Warren says "This conference will inaugurate programs of research and where conditions justify it, of corrective procedure in local communities."

Increased activity will begin with emphasis on the WCTU educational program which includes visual education, oral abstinence teaching and training of children and youth. Follow-up action, aside from the educational program will depend upon facts developed in local studies.

Mrs. E. M. Morgan of Main street, who is president of the Franklin County Union is in attendance.

Brattleboro Will Have Summer Theatre Again

Residents and visitors to Northfield have enjoyed for several successive summers the privilege of attending the Summer theatre at Brattleboro, which was housed in the Estey coach house with the dramatic school in the old home. It is said that arrangements for the rental of the property for this season has again been concluded and that Harry L. Young, who has been the manager and head of the dramatic group in past years will again guide the effort this season during July and August. Many of last year's personnel, who played under the direction of Elizabeth Grinnell will return, including Frederick Clark, Susanna Steel, David Housley, Stevens and George Keane. The Northfield Press will in previous years publish full information on the time and list of productions.

Diphtheria Clinic

The first of the series of inoculations for immunizing children against diphtheria will be held at the town hall Saturday, April 13 from 3 to 4 p. m. If transportation is necessary communicate with the Public Health Nurse, Miss Purrington. The second and third clinics will be held May 4th and May 25th. All three inoculations are necessary if the toxoid is to be effective.

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TOWN TOPICS

A group of twenty four leaders of the camp of the Keene Y. M. C. A. gathered at the Northfield Hotel last Sunday and enjoyed a dinner and social time.

Rev. Dr. Elliot W. Brown of this town will occupy the pulpit of the First Congregational church of Amherst, during the month of April.

The trout season will open next Monday morning at 4:10 o'clock and regardless of weather conditions, our fishermen will be out on the brooks and streams to try their luck.

Mrs. C. P. Buffum, who has spent the winter at Orlando, Fla., will leave for Northfield next week, but will visit East Norwalk, Conn. friends on her way.

Dan Linnehan, who is a special advertising representative of the Press, and who has been in various parts of Florida this winter, will soon return for a visit to Northfield and publish a special page of the paper.

Mrs. Neil Perham of Keene, N. H. spent the past week-end with Mrs. Nellie Handy at her home on Main street.

Mrs. Nellie Handy and Miss Helen Handy attended the funeral of Mrs. Arthur E. Handy in Winchester on Monday.

At the meeting of the Los Angeles Northfield Hermon club held last February 22nd, there was present Charles E. Hicks, who was a former teacher in the Northfield High School for three years and who now is associated with the Los Angeles Board of Education. Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Roberts were also in attendance as well as Miss Sallie M. Clough, a former teacher in the Mount Hermon school French department, who is now a resident of Glendale.

Mrs. Bessie Symonds of Highland Ave., who has spent the winter in Florida at Orlando is on her way home. She will visit friends in Washington for a few weeks on her way back.

Miss Beatrice Freeman, who has been clerking in the Bookstore for a while, has gone to Plainfield, N. J., to accept a position.

It is reported that the Thayer High School band of Winchester playing jointly with the Hinsdale High School band, which paid a brief visit to Northfield last week, are planning to come here again for a concert.

Governor Leverett Saltonstall has proclaimed Friday, April 19th to be observed as Patriots Day. Plant a tree.

The next meeting of the Trustees of the Northfield Schools will be held here on Saturday May 11 for the transaction of regular business and the consideration of school matters.

The annual spring conference of the Franklin County Missionary society of Congregational churches will meet in the Second Congregational church of Greenfield on Thursday May 2nd for an all day session with luncheon at noon.

Philip Porter drew the door prize of a years subscription to the Northfield Press at the recent Game and Fish club's supper and dance.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. David Tompkins of Winchester road were visitors at the home of their daughter and family in Westfield, N. J. last week.

A number from Mount Hermon, the Seminary and from town attended the "town meeting" held under the auspices of the County branch of the Foreign Policy Association at the Weldon Hotel in Greenfield last evening. Discussions followed on the various article following the luncheon.

George Pohlmeyer of Mount Hermon school was the speaker before the Mens Class at the Second Congregational church in Greenfield last Sunday.

At a meeting of the local teachers club held last week, Miss Eleanore Kremen and Miss Marjorie Buck were chosen as delegates to the state Teachers Federation meeting to be held in Boston.

Local teachers in our schools who are taking the first aid course of the Red Cross being given in Greenfield are Mrs. Donald Williams, Miss Mary Dalton, Miss Eleanore Kremen, Miss Margaret Hubbard, Miss Agnes Casey, Miss Marjorie Buck and Miss Ephrasia Purrington.

Contractors have begun the construction of a new bridge over the brook near Days corner in Gill. A detour is necessary as the road by F. W. Chapins house is closed. As much quicksand was discovered in the bed of the brook piles are being driven to hold the foundations.

With the rains and continued melting of the heavy snows, the roads in the districts off the main highways are becoming very muddy. Walks and the lawns as well as the fields are beginning to appear soft, although there is much frost in the ground.

Announcement has come from Finleyville, Pa., of the birth of a daughter, Carol Idella, on March 28th to Rev. and Mrs. A. Walker Hepler of that town. Mrs. Hepler is the former Ida Dunham, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. O. Dunham, summer residents of East Northfield.

Prof. Roy R. Hatch of the science department at Mount Hermon school, who is to retire after 45 years of teaching at Hermon, will become a permanent resident of this town, having purchased the Livingston house on Birnam road which he will occupy early in July.

The fire department was called out for a chimney fire at the home of Emory Rikert on Birnam road last Friday morning. No serious damage was caused by the fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Reed, who have been visiting his mother here returned to Peterboro, where Mr. Reed is engaged in tree work.

Mrs. A. F. Bennett has concluded her winter's stay in New York and is visiting her son, John and family in Philadelphia, after which she expects to return to her home here at Northfield Farms.

The Northfield Press will join with the newspapers of Massachusetts in the observance of Newspaper week, May 12 to 18.

While there is considerable snow in the watershed of the Connecticut River, the threat of a flood wanes. Mostly all of northwestern Franklin County is covered with much snow and along the Mohawk trail to the Berkshires, the banks still rise to a height of at least ten feet in some sections.

Miss Elizabeth Miller, who is a student nurse at Brattleboro Hospital, has gone to Portland, Maine for practical training at the Childrens Hospital there.

The local youth hostel committee held an important meeting last Monday afternoon but no information of their session has been made public.

Mrs. Virginia Powell, who is attending Mount Holyoke college, joined her family here while they were guests at the Homestead.

Jack and David Powell, grandsons of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Pitt, observed their tenth birthday last Saturday and gave a party to a number of their local friends, at the Homestead where they were on a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Powell, who now reside in Lewiston, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed and Mrs. C. H. Webster were in Boston on Wednesday. Mrs. Goodspeed attended the music conference of the Women's Federation at the Copley-Plaza.

An announcement is made in "coming events" that the Northfield Hermon night of the Pops concert at Symphony Hall in Boston will be Friday evening, May tenth.

The Ladies Benevolent Society of Northfield Farms held a dance Wednesday evening at No. 4 school house with Jillsons orchestra furnishing music.

Miss Julia B. Austin has been at home from her school duties recently owing to the illness of her mother at their home on Main street.

Miss Mary Helen Gethman of the class of '39 of the Seminary and now of Oberlin college, spent her spring vacation with her mother at her home on Winchester Road.

Dr. Alice H. Bassett of Boston with Miss Mira B. Wilson of Northfield Seminary, are guests at the New Weston Hotel in New York City.

Miss Betty Simmons of Westfield, N. J. is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mayberry.

Mrs. A. Gordon Moody, Mrs. Charles Taber, Mrs. Ray Thompson, Miss Anne Mattoon and Miss Ephrasia Purrington of the local health council were guests at the directors meeting of the Orange Visiting Nurse association, Tuesday afternoon.

It is reported that Robert McCleugh of Minneapolis, Minn., has purchased the Fred Newton place on the Ashuelot road and plans to carry on a mink farm there.

Joseph R. Colton and A. P. Pitt attended the monthly dinner conference of insurance agents at the Mansion House in Greenfield Monday evening.

"Grapes of Wrath" will be the attraction at the Latchis Theatre for four days starting next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Leach have moved to Claremont, N. H. Mr. Leach has employment at Springfield, Vt.

Mrs. George N. Kidder delightfully entertained the Alliance of the Unitarian church at her home Thursday afternoon with a luncheon at one o'clock. She was assisted by Mrs. S. H. Harriman, Mrs. Charles Streeter and Mrs. Raymond Sauter.

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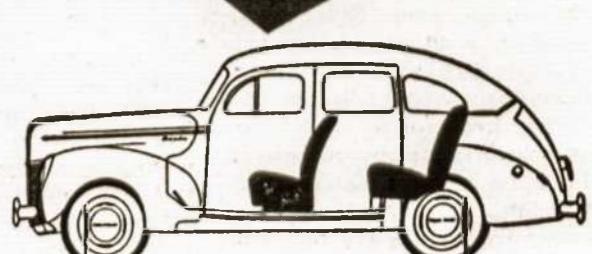
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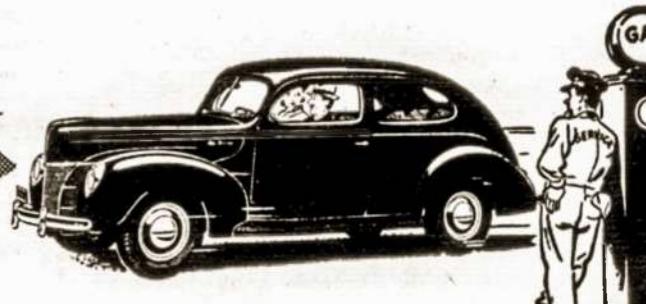
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SHOP AT GROWERS TO SAVE**Church Services****UNITARIAN CHURCH**

Rev. Mary Andrews Conner Sunday, 9:45, church school; 10:45, church worship. The subject for the service will be that announced previously, "Magnificent Failures."

Edward Schofield will be the soloist.

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Monday at 7:30, annual meeting of Friendly class at home of Mrs. Ruth Lanphier.

Tuesday at 3, Bible class with Mrs. Colton; leader, Mrs. Giebel. At 6:30, annual Father and Son banquet at the Brotherhood; following the supper Rev. Willard Smith will entertain the company with magic.

Thursday, all-day meeting of the Women's Sewing society with lunch at noon. At 7:30, prayer service, followed by choir rehearsal

Man Chooses Pie

By Frances Lee Barton

ASK almost any man to list his desserts in their order of popularity and he will head the list with "PIE." He may hesitate afterward, but his first choice is instantaneous. Pies are economical and easy to prepare, yet they never lose their appeal. Here is a pie recipe you will find invaluable:

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1 package lemon-flavored gelatin; 1 pint hot water; 1 cup mashed bananas; 2 tablespoons lemon juice; ½ teaspoon grated lemon rind; 4 tablespoons sugar; 2 egg yolks, slightly beaten; ¼ teaspoon salt; 2 egg whites; 4 tablespoons sugar; 1 baked 9-inch pie shell. Dissolve gelatin in hot water. Combine bananas, lemon juice, rind, 4 tablespoons sugar, egg yolks, and salt in top of double boiler, mixing well. Cook over hot water until mixture coats spoon, stirring constantly. Remove from fire. Add gelatin and stir until dissolved. Chill until slightly thickened. Beat egg whites until foamy; then add remaining 4 tablespoons sugar gradually, and continue beating until stiff. Fold into slightly thickened gelatin mixture. Pour into cold pie shell. Chill until firm.

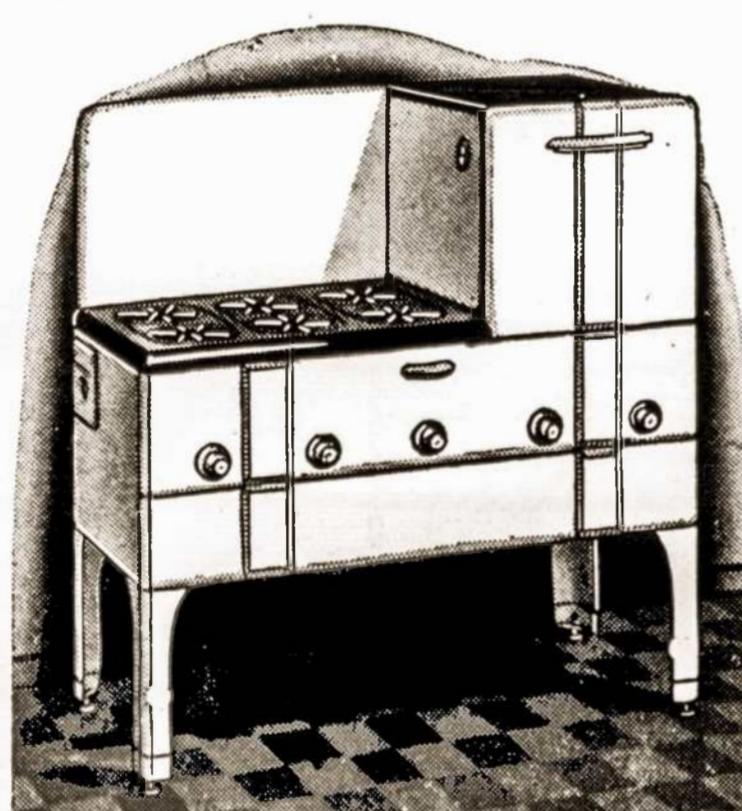
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A large audience attended the repeat performance of "Tish" by the Northfield Players at Vernon town hall, last night under the auspices of the Ladies Circle of the Vernon church.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay E. Johnson spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Robert Baker in Guilford, Vt.

Mrs. Erwin Johnson of Brattleboro is seriously ill in the Brattleboro Memorial hospital.

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Mrs. William Hilliard has gone

to Bangor, Maine to spend a week with her daughter, Miss Irene Matosky.

Miss Elizabeth Weston is visiting her father in Belleville, N. J. Henry Russell is confined to his home with an infected foot.

Rev. Benjamin White will begin his pastorate at the South Vernon church next Sunday.

Morning service will be held at 10:30; Sunday school, 11:45; evening meeting at 7. There will be a choir rehearsal after the evening service. Mid-week meeting at the Vernon Home Thursday at 7 p. m.

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Friday, April 12, 1940

EDITORIAL

It is not often that so important
a matter comes before the
voters of the town, as will be
presented to-night at the town
meeting for consideration and decision.
It is the subject of the
consolidation of our public
schools into a single building and
the transportation of all our
school pupils. Rather than this
external condition, it means a
change in the old time honored
policy of neighborhood or
district school houses. After an
experience of many years in close
contact with school and educational
affairs, I am convinced of the
advantages of consolidation.
It means a better and more thorough
schooling for the pupils,
who will democratically mingle
with others all undergoing the
same studies from the teacher.
The teaching period is confined
to one grade for the whole school
day and results are advantageous.
Consolidation is a step forward
in educational matters but it
costs money and expense increases
with the years from sheer necessity.
I have no patience with anyone
who tries to explain it as
a venture in economy. No
consolidated school was or is conducted
on any such false pretensions.
Consolidation means better education
and its worth the cost but
whether the town can afford at
the present time to waste its
district school and assume added
burdens, is for the voters to decide.
That decision should be
made to-night and it is quite
necessary that those who pay the
taxes should attend and express
themselves in the vote.

THE SHEEP

'Twas a sheep, not a lamb, that
strayed away,
In the parable Jesus told;
A grown-up sheep, that had gone
astray
From ninety and nine in the fold.

Out on the hillside, out in the
cold,
'Twas a sheep the Good Shepherd
sought,
And back to the flock, safe into
the fold,
'Twas a sheep the Good Shepherd
brought.

And why for the sheep should we
earnestly long,
And earnestly hope and pray?
Because there is danger if they
go wrong,
They may lead the lambs astray.

For the lambs will follow the
sheep, you know,
Wherever the sheep may stray;
When the sheep go wrong, it will
not be long
Till the lambs are as wrong as
they.

And so with the sheep we earnestly plead,
For the sake of the lambs today;
If the lambs are lost, what terrible cost
Some sheep will have to pay!
—By Millie A. Cole Powers
It was printed by the Moody Bible
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before you go

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By G. O. Olson

Most of the folks around my town are saying that it won't
warm up much as long as there is
snow in the hills. I have been
trying to figure out how the snow
is going to get out of the hills
until it does warm up. And so I'm
planning on a late spring.

Last week, you may recall, I
mentioned some new shrubs for
planting around the home. Practically
all of those had berries. This week I thought I'd suggest to
you the idea of a bird garden.
Most folks just take an interest in
feeding birds during the winter
time, but if you are going to have
birds around to feed in the winter,
you've got to attract them to
your place the year around.

A bird garden, according to
what I read, must have one or two
essential features. One of course
is water. A bird bath where the
birds can drink and also take a
bath is almost indispensable. Likewise
plan a place for dusting. A
little corner of the garden where
it is nice and sunny and the
ground dry most of the time will
make an ideal dusting place for
the birds. These two requisites
are not too hard to provide.

If there are many stray cats or
dogs in the neighborhood, it would
be an excellent idea to provide
your bird garden with a protective
shrub border. One of the most
common shrubs that we have is
the barberry, although there are
lots of others that can be used
for protection and at the same
time furnish some food.

An arborvitae hedge, if it is
thick enough, would also keep out
cats and dogs and will provide
protective cover for birds. Still
other shrubs that might be used
for a border hedge are the haw-
thorn and buckthorn.

A shrub should be selected not
only as providing a means of
feeding the birds, but also as a
place for birds to build their
nests. One of the most attractive
from the standpoint of garden effect
and fruit is the spice bush.
The dogwoods should also be con-
sidered in planning a bird garden
in this section of the country.
They do well in shady places.

There are several forms of all
these shrubs and it's up to you to
select the one which you like the
best. As I mentioned last week,
use your nurseryman for this information.

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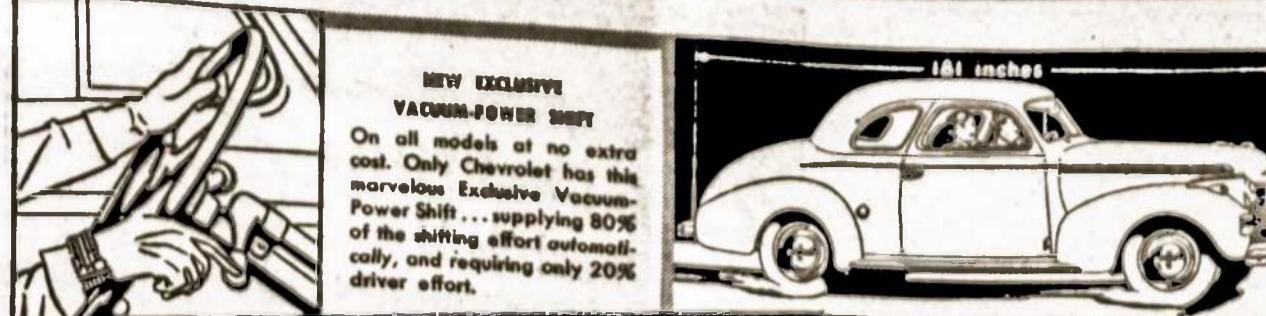
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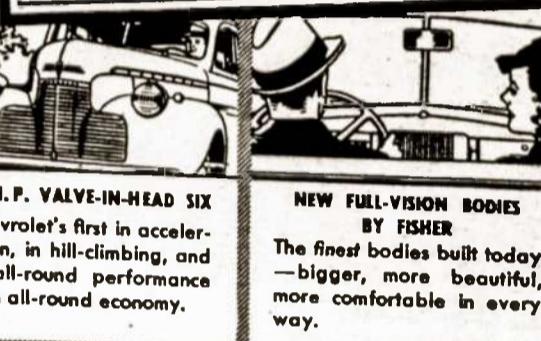
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as a background shrub for a bird
garden. The elderberries are also
very useful in building bird gar-
dens, especially where the soil is
rather moist. And the privets with
their clusters of black berries
should be included in a bird gar-
den. These and the elderberries
and such plants of course appear
best when they grow into graceful
shrubs, so don't consider them as
border plants.

Then also consider for your
bird garden the roses. Almost any
of the roses are successful. The
Scotch rose, the rugosa roses, the
multiflora roses, and others not
only add beauty to the summer
garden but also provide winter
food for the birds.

A bird garden, as Dave Arnold
says is an opportunity to develop
your property from a landscape
point of view and at the same
time to be of some particular
value to the rest of the world.
To illustrate, in the next few
weeks you will see hundreds and
thousands of forsythia shrubs in
bloom. After about two weeks
what are they? Just shrubs that
are not too decorative and of no
value to the birds.

A few other plants that might
be considered for the bird garden
are aralia, bayberry, bearberry,
bittersweet, buffaloberry, choke-
berry, euonymus, huckleberry,
partridgeberry, snowberry, sumac,
viburnum, and woodbine. And of
course many trees can be included
such as spruce, pine, plums, cher-
ries, mulberries, larch, birch, and
others.

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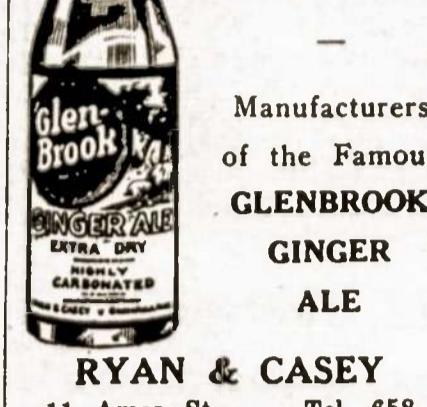
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